

# CAVITE

## Reached by Gen. Merritt Last Monday.

## Significant Statement About Needing More Troops.

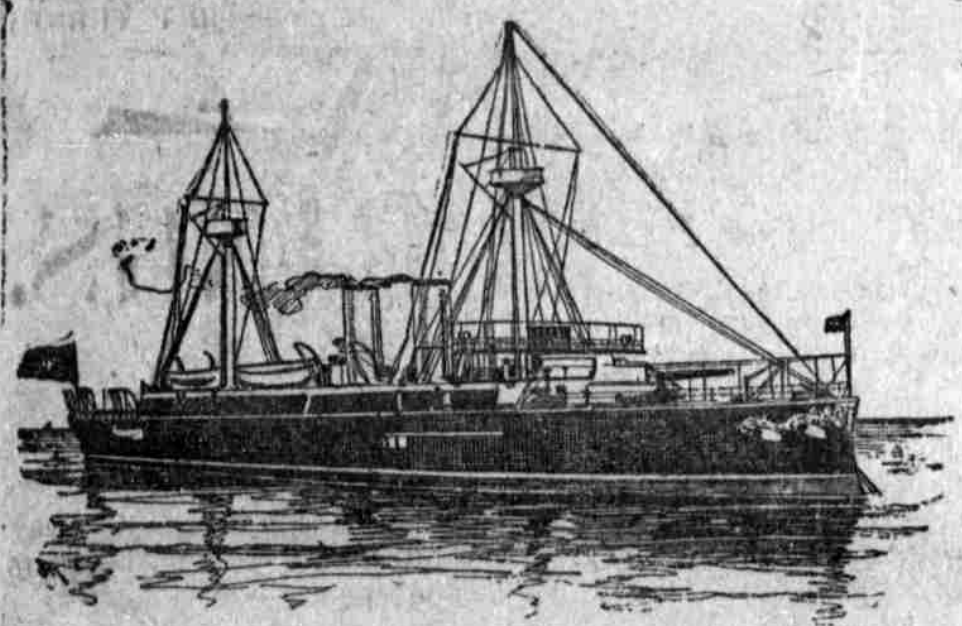
Washington, July 30.—(Special.)—The following report has been received from Gen. Merritt, by dispatch boat via Hong Kong, China:

"Cavite, July 25.—Arrived here to-day about noon. The health of my command is good. The remainder of the fleet is four days in the rear. All troops assigned me will probably be needed. MERRITT."

### One Will Be Raised---

### The Maria Teresa all Right.

Washington, July 30.—(Special.)—A dispatch received from Admiral Sampson this morning at the Navy Department saying that the



ARMORED CRUISER INFANTA MARIA TERESA.

The Infanta Maria Teresa is so much like the Vizcaya and Almirante Oquendo that it is unnecessary to describe her. Like her sister ships, she is a powerful fighting machine in proper hands. She is one of the favorite vessels with the Spanish populace, possibly because of her name.

Infanta Maria Teresa, one of Cervera's vessels, will be floated as soon as a small leak can be located in the bow. Her own pumps are being used, there being steam in one of her boilers.

## Cubans Capture a Town After Running Out Spaniards.

Key West, July 30.—(Special.)—On Wednesday the Nashville took possession of Gibara without firing a shot. Two schooners in the harbor were sent to Key West as prizes. The Spanish garrison evacuated the town Tuesday, leaving it in possession of the Cubans.

## An Expression in Gotham. Favor Holding the Islands.

New York, July 30.—(Special.)—The Board of Docks, representing the commercial interest of the city, has adopted a resolution requesting the President to retain all territory occupied by American troops.

Seattle, Wash., July 30.—(Special.)—Nearly all of the business men of this city have signed a message to the President asking him to hold the Philippines.

### Thorn Still Game.

Sing Sing, N. Y., July 30.—About the bravest wait for death ever witnessed by the prison officers here is that of Martin Thorn, the condemned murderer, who so brutally slew Wm. Guldensuppe, the bath rubber, mutilating the body terribly, under the direction of Mrs. Mack, now serving a term in this same institution for her part in the soul-baring crime.

### Weather Forecasts.

Louisville, July 30.—Showers and thunder storms to-night. Sunday showers.

### Bismarck Worse.

Berlin, July 30.—(Special.)—Bismarck is worse again.

## A FATAL FIRE.

### Five Lives Lost in a San Francisco Tenement.

### Several Other Occupants so Badly Hurt That They May Also Die.

San Francisco, July 30.—(Special.)—Fire shortly after midnight destroyed a large frame tenement house and a number of lives were lost. Those burned to death were: KATE CONNELLY, WM. WHITE, FRANK KELLY, GEORGE HANSON, C. A. HOLMES. Five others were badly injured and some of them may not recover.

### SOLD TO MR. KITCHEN.

### Mr. E. W. Henderson's House Will Be Moved.

Mr. E. W. Henderson has sold to Mr. John R. Kitchen the house now occupied by him on South Main street. Mr. Kitchen has employed a Nashville contractor to move the house to the Virginia street front of his own lot and the work will begin Monday morning. The house will be moved chimneys and all under a guarantee not to injure it. The distance will be a little more than two squares.

Mr. Henderson has contracted with Forbes & Bro. for the immediate erection on his lot of a fine brick-veneered residence with all modern improvements, that will be an ornament to that fashionable residence portion of the city. Mr. and Mrs. Henderson have engaged rooms and board at Mrs. Mary B. Campbell's, pending the building operations. The house will be rushed to completion with all dispatch. Work will begin as soon as the present house is moved.

### MRS. MOAYON'S MUSICAL.

### Another Pleasant Affair Last Evening.

Mrs. Max J. Moayon gave a musicale at her home last night that proved to be a very pleasant affair. Those present were:

Mr. and Mrs. John Feland, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Dr. Brown, Mrs. J. M. Starling and Miss Lucy Starling, Mrs. F. J. Brownell, Mr. and Mrs. B. Lowenstein, Miss Jennie Winfree, Miss Allie Bottomly, Miss Armstrong, Messrs. A. P. Crockett, Wallace Kelly, H. M. Bryan, Horace Condy, Dr. E. P. Russell and Mr. Atchinson, of Louisville. Refreshments were served.

### Small Land Deal.

A. B. and F. D. Coffey, young Church Hill farmers, have sold to E. B. Moss, a small tract of land lying on Little River, not far from Church Hill, and the deed was recorded yesterday. The tract contains eighteen acres. The consideration was \$200 cash.

### Mr. Barker Very Sick.

News comes from Kennedy that Mr. Chiles T. Barker is very ill at his home at that place. His health has been very poor for a year or more, but his condition has lately grown very serious.

### No Further Use For Them.

New York, July 30.—(Special.)—It is reported that the American liners St. Paul, St. Louis, Harvard and Yale will soon be returned to the steamship company owning them before the war.

### Rapid Increase of Population.

The infant industry of Hopkinsville is flourishing as it never flourished before. There seems to be a regular epidemic of babies. At the present rate of multiplying Hopkinsville will soon be in the third class.

## PONCE

### Is Ours Without a Shadow of Resistance.

### Gen. Miles Welcomed as a Deliverer by the Porto Ricans.

Port of Ponce, Porto Rico, via the island of St. Thomas, D. W. I., July 30.—The port of Ponce surrendered to Commander C. H. Davis, of the auxiliary gunboat Dixie, Wednesday. There was no resistance, and the Americans were welcomed with enthusiasm. Major Gen. Miles arrived here Thursday morning at daylight with Gen. Ernst's Brigade and immediately started for the town of Ponce, three miles inland, with 50,000 population, which capitulated that afternoon.

The American troops are pushing towards the mountains, and will join Gen. Henry with his brigade at Guanica, which has been captured by our troops.

A fight before the latter place on Tuesday last was won by the American volunteers. The Spaniards ambushed eight companies of the Sixth Massachusetts and Sixth Illinois Regiments, but the enemy was repulsed and driven back a mile to a bridge, where the Spanish cavalry charged and were routed by our infantry.

Gen. Garretson led the fight with the men from Illinois and Massachusetts, and the enemy retreated to Yauca, leaving four dead on the field and several wounded. None of our men were killed, and only three slightly wounded. The wounded are:

Capt. Gihon Barrett, Private James Drummond, Private H. C. Gary.

The Porto Ricans are glad the American troops are landed, and say they are all Americans and will join our army.

The roads are good for military purposes. Our troops are healthy, and Gen. Miles says the campaign will be short and vigorous.

Gen. Miles has issued the following proclamation to the citizens of Ponce and Porto Rico:

"In the prosecution of the war against Spain by the people of the United States in the cause of liberty, justice and humanity, its military forces have come to occupy the island of Porto Rico. They come bearing the banners of freedom, inspired by a noble purpose to seek the enemies of our government and of yours, and destroy or capture all in armed resistance. They bring you the fostering arms of a free people, whose greatest power is justice and humanity to all living within their fold. Hence they release you from your former political relations, and it is hoped, this will be followed by your cheerful acceptance of the government of the United States.

"The chief object of the American military forces will be to overthrow the armed authority of Spain and give the people of your beautiful island the largest measure of liberty, consistent with this military occupation. They have not come to make war on the people of the country, who for centuries have been oppressed, but on the contrary they bring protection."

### COLORED OFFICERS.

### The Knights of Tabor Adjourned Last Night.

The following is a list of the Grand Officers, elected for the ensuing year:

A. Q. Queen, C. G. M.; A. M. Bowman, C. G. P.; W. H. Bell, V. G. M.; Mrs. Bettie Hart, V. G. P.; Dr. W. H. Nelson, C. G. S.; L. A. H. Evans, G. C. R.; J. H. Taylor, C. G. T.; Mrs. S. L. Maassfield, G. Q. M.; Mrs. Nannie M. White, C. G. P.; Miss Katie Lewis, C. I. G.; C. T. Vaughn, C. G. G.

The next Grand Lodge meeting will be held at Paducah.

# WATER

## So Scarce That Condensers are Used.

## Cabinet Holds Another Meeting and Agrees Upon Terms.

Washington, July 30.—(Special.)—Gen. Shafter telegraphs that the Seguranca, Knickerbocker, Saratoga and Iroquois leave for Tampa to-night. The Miami and Matewan will be unloaded next. Have only forage aboard. They were retained till near the last because they condense 13,000 gallons of water each per day without which the troops could not get along.

Washington, July 30.—(Special.)—The Cabinet met again at 10:30. Senators Elkins and Proctor consulted with the President before the meeting. Elkins thinks the disposition of the Philippines should be deferred until the appointment of a peace commission. He expects a great deal of quibbling by the Spanish.

Talk in official circles is more pointed that the administration wishes to hold the settlement of the Philippines in abeyance till more is known of conditions there.

The Cabinet adjourned at 1 o'clock, the terms having practically been agreed upon. After a copy is sent to the French Ambassador they will be made public, but not this afternoon.

## Mason Backs the President.

### Opposed to Holding Anything.

Madison, Ill., July 30.—(Special.)—In a speech last night Senator Mason, of Illinois said:

"The United States should retain no conquered territory and exact no cash indemnity. We should not profess to the world that we are good Samaritans if we carry a bag on our backs wherein to deposit the profits of our holy calling."

## Heavy Mortality at Camp Alger.

### Coppinger Will Go to Porto Rico.

Washington, July 30.—(Special.)—Sixteen deaths from typhoid fever have occurred in six days at Camp Alger and the men are almost in a panic.

Secretary Alger this morning telegraphed Gen. Coppinger permission to join the Porto Rican army with such forces as he may select. Three transports are on their way to Tampa.

## Over 4,000 Are Still Sick.

### The Situation Slightly Improved.

Washington, July 30.—(Special.)—Gen. Shafter telegraphs the sanitary conditions at Santiago on the 29th:

Total sick 4,274. Sick with fever 3,406. New cases of fever since yesterday 696. Cases of fever restored to duty 970. One death occurred, Private McGoldrick, of the First Infantry, of asthma. A dispatch just received says Capt. Dodge, of the 24th Infantry has died of yellow fever since Shafter's report was sent.

## More News From Manila.

### A Sailor Killed by a Shell.

Manila July 30.—(Special.)—(Delayed in transmission.)—The German cruiser Cormorant has returned to Manila Bay, reports that George Archer, Steward on the collier Cyrus, was killed by the explosion of a Spanish shell taken as a souvenir from the Cavite arsenal. Three others were injured.

Lagarde, secretary, is missing and he is believed to have fallen a victim.